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Trinity Lutheran Church, LCMS

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10:30am – Kalbach/Stevens

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8:00am – Carol Greenwell

10:30am – Woody Scheler

Keyboard

Judy Hall

Music Director

Jan Garner

Trinity Lutheran Church

Reverend Bryan O'Connor

Our Mission



“To share the good news of Jesus Christ”



Our Vision STATEMENT

“To serve as God guides us to bring people closer to Jesus Christ through worship, Bible studies, prayer and fellowship”

WELCOME!!!

A warm joyous welcome to all who gather to bear witness to the life of Jesus, our King of Kings!

OUR RITE OF FRIENDSHIP:

Members and guests: Please register your attendance in the red pad located at the end of each row. **We ask our guests to please print your complete address and phone number.** When it reaches the other end of the row, pass it back. Upon its return note the other names; you may meet a new friend in Christ today.

Please turn off your cell phone.

If you desire a hearing assistance unit, speak with an usher.

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

**6th SUNDAY OF EASTER
May 10, 2026**



Welcome! We believe The Lord's Supper is a gracious gift instituted by Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sins and as a means of receiving God's grace. We believe that in the holy supper, the true body and blood of the Savior, along with the bread and wine, comes to us. We are encouraged by Jesus to commune frequently, and God tells us through St. Paul that we must examine ourselves in preparation for a worthy reception of the sacrament. This includes a confession of our sins, a proclamation of our faith, and a determination to lead a godlier life in the future. If you also acknowledge your sinfulness and your need for a Savior and recognize Christ's physical presence in the bread and wine, we invite you to join us at the Lord's table. Please enjoy our worship service!

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC by *Judy Hall*

"HE SHALL FEED HIS FLOCK"

by George F. Handel

"O SAVIOR, HEAR ME"

by Christoph W. Von Gluck

SPECIAL MUSIC – *The Bells of Trinity*

"JESUS, THE VERY THOUGHT OF THEE"

BY: John B. Dykes and Arr. by Martha Lynn Thompsom

"O, MASTER LET ME WALK WITH THEE"

By H. Percy Smith and Arr. by Frances L. Callahan

"THE DAY OF RESURRECTION"

Henry Smart; Arr. by Frances L. Callahan

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

[Please stand]

OPENING HYMN "COME AND LISTEN, GODLY ONES"
TUNE: LSB #900

1. Come and listen, Godly ones,
I will tell what He has done!
Shouts of joy all creatures raise.
Sing His glory! Lift His praise!
2. Praise our God, all people sing,
Hymns of glory echoing,
For He has preserved our lives,
Kept His path before our eyes.
3. Praise to God who really cares,
He did not reject my prayers.
Praise to God who, graciously,
Never kept His love from me.
4. Glory to the Father, Son,
And the Spirit, Three in One,
Gives me life, gives life today,
Life 'till earth shall pass away.

INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As an ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Let us pray together...

C **O God, You are the giver of all that is good. Inspire us so that we may not only think those things that are right, but also accomplish them, through Your merciful guidance. We pray through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

[Please be seated]

HYMN OF PRAISE “GLORIFY THE LORD WITH ME”

Tune: LSB #463

1. Glorify the Lord with me, Alleluia!
On my lips His praise will be. Alleluia!
Radiant we look to Him. Alleluia!
Never are we put to shame. Alleluia!
2. Taste and see; the Lord is good. Alleluia!
Jesus, true and living bread. Alleluia!
Let us all exalt His name. Alleluia!
Now and evermore the same. Alleluia!
3. Only holy, Jesus Christ, Alleluia!
Thank You for Your gift of life. Alleluia!
Gracious Father, Holy Dove, Alleluia!
Highest glory, deepest love. Alleluia!

+THE WORD++

FIRST READING

Acts 17:16-31

L ¹⁶ Now while Paul was waiting for them at Athens, his spirit was provoked within him as he saw that the city was full of idols. ¹⁷ So he reasoned in the synagogue with the Jews and the devout persons, and in the marketplace every day with those who happened to be there. ¹⁸ Some of the Epicurean and Stoic philosophers also conversed with him. And some said, “What does this babbler wish to say?” Others said, “He seems to be a preacher of foreign divinities”—because he was preaching Jesus and the resurrection. ¹⁹ And they took him and brought him to the Areopagus, saying, “May we know what this new teaching is that you are presenting? ²⁰ For you bring some strange things to our ears. We wish to know therefore what these things mean.” ²¹ Now all the Athenians and the foreigners who lived there would spend their time in nothing except telling or hearing something new. ²² So Paul, standing in the midst of the Areopagus, said: “Men of Athens, I perceive that in every way you are very religious. ²³ For as I passed along and observed the objects of your worship, I found also an altar with this inscription: ‘To the unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. ²⁴ The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man,^[a] ²⁵ nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything. ²⁶ And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, ²⁷ that they should seek God, and perhaps feel their way toward him and find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us, ²⁸ for “In him we live and move and have our being’;^[b] as even some of your own poets have said, “For we are indeed his offspring.’^[c] ²⁹ Being then God's offspring, we ought not to think that the divine

being is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of man.³⁰ The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent,³¹ because he has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed; and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

☒ This is the Word of the Lord

☑ Thanks be to God

ANTHEM by *Heaven's Praise Octet*

“MAKE ME A CHANNEL OF YOUR PEACE”

Words and Music by Sebastian Temple Arr. Jane Holstein

Octet Members:

Sopranos: Mary Glass, Arlene Stackhouse and Debbie Zwolak

Altos: Jan Garner, Mary Minotto and Gerry Shlak

Baritones: David Ahrens and Bryan O'Connor

SECOND READING

1 Peter 3:13-22

☒ ¹³ Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? ¹⁴ But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, ¹⁵ but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect, ¹⁶ having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. ¹⁷ For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil. ¹⁸ For Christ also suffered^[a] once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹ in which^[b] he went and proclaimed^[c] to the spirits in prison, ²⁰ because^[d] they formerly did not obey, when God's patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through water. ²¹ Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²² who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to him.

☒ This is the Word of the Lord

☑ Thanks be to God

ANTHEM by *The Bells of Trinity*

“THERE IS A REDEEMER”

Words and Music by Melody Green and Arr. by Lloyd Larson

(please stand)

GOSPEL READING

John 14:15-21

P The Holy Gospel according to John the 14th chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

P ¹⁵“If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, ¹⁷to be with you forever, ¹⁷even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be ¹⁸in you. ¹⁸“I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. ¹⁹Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. ²⁰In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

[please be seated]

HYMN

“HAIL, THOU ONCE DESPISED JESUS”

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1 Hail, Thou once de - spis - ed Je - sus! Hail, Thou Gal - i -
 2 Pas - chal Lamb, by God ap - point - ed, All our sins on
 3 Je - sus, hail! En - throned in glo - ry, There for - ev - er
 4 Wor - ship, hon - or, pow'r, and bless - ing Thou art wor - thy
 le - an King! Thou didst suf - fer to re - lease us; Thou didst
 Thee were laid; By al - might - y love a - noint - ed, Thou hast
 to a - bide; All the heav'n - ly hosts a - dore Thee, Seat - ed
 to re - ceive; High - est prais - es, with - out ceas - ing, Right it
 free sal - va - tion bring. Hail, Thou u - ni - ver - sal Sav - ior,
 full a - tone - ment made. All Thy peo - ple are for - giv - en
 at Thy Fa - ther's side. There for sin - ners Thou art plead - ing;
 is for us to give. Help, ye bright an - gel - ic spir - its,
 Bear - er of our sin and shame! By Thy mer - it
 Through the vir - tue of Thy blood; O - pened is the
 There Thou dost our place pre - pare, Ev - er for us
 All your no - blest an - thems raise; Help to sing our
 we find fa - vor: Life is giv - en through Thy name.
 gate of heav - en, Rec - on - ciled are we with God.
 in - ter - ced - ing Till in glo - ry we ap - pear.
 Sav - ior's mer - its, Help to chant Im - man - uel's praise!

SERMON

“Love vs. Command”
Pastor Bryan O’Connor

[please stand]

CONFESSION OF FAITH – NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And he will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen

[please be seated]

OFFERING HYMN: “CREATE IN ME”

LSB #956 Text and tune: Public domain

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new
a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way
from Thy pres - ence; and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it

P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and drink You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes again.

C Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

WORDS OF OUR LORD

PEACE OF THE LORD

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

[please be seated]

AGNUS DEI

"O CHRIST, THE LAMB OF GOD"

Tune: LSB #895

O Christ, the Lamb of God,
O Christ, our loving Shepherd;
The sin of the whole globe
You take away forever.

O Christ, the Lamb of God
You take our sin away
Grant now to us Your peace,
Oh, hear us now we pray.

NOTE: *If you have a physical condition that would prohibit you from taking wine in the Lord's Supper, a few individual cups of white grape juice, instead of wine, are placed in the center of each communion tray for you. For those with a gluten allergy we now provide gluten-free wafers. Please help yourself to the gluten-free wafers located in the center of the tray.*

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

“SENT FORTH BY GOD’S BLESSING”

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The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of eight staves of music. The lyrics are as follows:

1 Sent forth by God's bless-ing, Our true faith con-fess-ing,
2 With praise and thanks-giv-ing, To God ev-er-liv-ing,
The peo-ple of God from His dwell-ing take leave.
The tasks of our ev-'ry-day life we will face.
The Sup-er is end-ed. O now be ex-tend-ed
Our faith ev-er shar-ing, In love ev-er car-ing,
The fruits of this ser-vice in all who be-lieve.
Em-brac-ing His chil-dren of each tribe and race.
The seed of His teach-ing, Re-cep-tive souls reach-ing,
With Your feast You feed us, With Your light now lead us;
Shall blos-som in ac-tion for God and for all.
U-nite us as one in this life that we share.
His grace did in-vite us, His love shall u-nite us
Then may all the liv-ing With praise and thanks-giv-ing
To work for God's king-dom and an-swer His call.
Give hon-or to Christ and His name that we bear.

“DRAW NEAR AND TAKE THE BODY OF THE LORD”

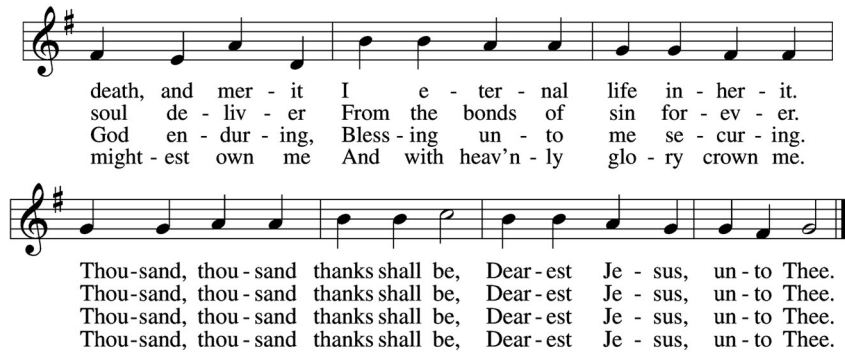
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1 Draw near and take the bod - y of the Lord,
2 He who His saints in this world rules and shields,
3 Come for - ward then with faith - ful hearts sin - cere,
And drink the ho - ly blood for you out - poured;
To all be - liev - ers life e - ter - nal yields;
And take the pledg - es of sal - va - tion here.
Of - fered was He for great - est and for least,
With heav'n - ly bread He makes the hun - gry whole,
O Lord, our hearts with grate - ful thanks en - dow
Him - self the vic - tim and Him - self the priest.
Gives liv - ing wa - ters to the thirst - ing soul.
As in this feast of love You bless us now.

“CHRIST, THE LIFE OF ALL THE LIVING”

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1 Christ, the life of all the liv - ing, Christ, the death of
2 Thou, ah! Thou, hast tak - en on Thee Bonds and stripes, a
3 Thou hast borne the smit - ing on - ly That my wounds might
4 Heart - less scof - fers did sur-round Thee, Treat - ing Thee with
death, our foe, Who, Thy - self for me once giv - ing
cru - el rod; Pain and scorn were heaped up - on Thee,
all be whole; Thou hast suf - fered, sad and lone - ly,
shame - ful scorn And with pierc - ing thorns they crowned Thee.
To the dark - est depths of woe: Through Thy suf - f'rings,
O Thou sin - less Son of God! Thus didst Thou my
Rest to give my wea - ry soul; Yea, the curse of
All dis - grace Thou, Lord, hast borne, That as Thine Thou



death, and mer - it I e - ter - nal life in - her - it.
soul de - liv - er From the bonds of sin for - ev - er.
God en - dur - ing, Bless - ing un - to me se - cur - ing.
might - est own me And with heav'n - ly glo - ry crown me.

Thou - sand, thou - sand thanks shall be, Dear - est Je - sus, un - to Thee.
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- 5 Thou hast suffered men to bruise Thee,
That from pain I might be free;
Falsely did Thy foes accuse Thee:
Thence I gain security;
Comfortless Thy soul did languish
Me to comfort in my anguish.
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,
Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.

- 6 Thou hast suffered great affliction
And hast borne it patiently,
Even death by crucifixion,
Fully to atone for me;
Thou didst choose to be tormented
That my doom should be prevented.
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,
Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.

- 7 Then, for all that wrought my pardon,
For Thy sorrows deep and sore,
For Thine anguish in the Garden,
I will thank Thee evermore,
Thank Thee for Thy groaning, sighing,
For Thy bleeding and Thy dying,
For that last triumphant cry,
And shall praise Thee, Lord, on high.

[please stand]

PRAYER

P Let us pray together...

C God of power and glory, we give You thanks for the gift of Your Son's body and blood for our forgiveness. Having received those gifts along with Your Word, keep us faithful to Jesus amid all danger and temptation; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BENEDICTION

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C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN "GLORY, GLORY" TUNE: LSB #477

1. Glory, glory in the highest
To our god in heaven be,
On earth peace to all God's people,
Grace and mercy endlessly.
You we love, adore, and worship;
Bless Your name with glorious praise,
Giving thanks for all Your glory
Now our hymn of joy we raise.

2. You are Lord, our God and Father,
Heaven's monarch, Mighty King
And the Christ, the sole begotten,
Lamb of God, to You we sing.
All our sins were taken by You
To remove and to forgive.
Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy,
Grant us peace, our prayer receive.

3. Sitting in the place of honor
At the Father's side in might,
Jesus, You alone are holy,
You alone our Lord, our Light;
With the Father and the Spirit,
You now rule in heav'n above.
Lord, have mercy, hear our praises,
Highest glory, deepest love.

"GOD BE WITH YOU"

By William G Tomer and Arr. by Frances L. Callahan

The Bells of Trinity



